

AFFAIRS IN BROOKLYN

TO FORM A LABOR EXCHANGE.

An unusual labor conference was held last evening in Everett Hall, at Bridge and Willoughby sts. There were present about fifty delegates from twenty-five labor organizations. At this conference the first steps were taken toward creating a labor exchange, to be under the control and management of the municipal government, where unemployed workmen and working women, whether members of unions or not, can procure employment free of charge. The scheme as discussed at the conference would have the municipal government sustain this labor exchange, which would be in the City Hall or some other suitable public building.

Michael Raphael, who proposed the scheme first in the Brooklyn Central Labor Union, spoke at length of the advantages of such an exchange. It would, he said, bring together all classes of workingmen—union and non-union men—and would put them all on better terms with each other than they now are. It would materially lessen the expenditures of working people, who are often put to considerable expense to secure places. He referred to the labor exchange recently established in Paris, which had already been pronounced a success. Mr. Raphael's suggestion met the approval of the delegates who appointed a committee of five to confer with Mayor Boedig, the board of Aldermen and others.

THE HEBREW ORPHAN ASYLUM BALL.

The annual ball of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum Society was held in the Brooklyn Academy of Music last evening and was a brilliant and successful affair. Mayor and Mrs. Boddy were present and occupied the box set apart for them, which was especially decorated for the occasion. The committee which made the arrangements for the ball felt that their efforts had been crowned with success. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Leo Bamberger, Mr. and Mrs. A. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Lipman Arentzberg, Mr. and Mrs. Moses May, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Cramer, Mr. and Mrs. David W. Stein. The receipts go to swell the fund of \$150,000 for a new building for the asylum.

THE LAST OF THE ENDOWMENT PAID IN.

The last of the endowment of \$125,000 required for the Young Women's Christian Association in order to make available the fine gift given by C. D. Wood to erect the handsome building now going up at Scheerenhoen-st., and Flushing-avenue, on a site given by S. B. Chittenden, has been paid in and efforts are to be made to increase it to \$150,000. Mr. Wood has added his gift to \$150,000 by the purchase of a building property and a gift of \$10,000 to the endowment fund.

FOR THE FUNERAL OF W. E. ROBINSON.

At the funeral of ex-Congressman William E. Robinson in the Brooklyn Tabernacle this afternoon the pallbearers will be Abram S. Hewitt, Robert Barber, Isaac Dayton, Thomas N. Rucker, the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hall, Benjamin D. Stillman, Herbert L. Prugh and Bernard Peters. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage will deliver an address of eulogy. A private service will be held at the house, No. 92 Second Place, at which Dr. John Hall has been asked to officiate.

DEATH OF MRS. HARRIET L. PACKER.

Mrs. Harriet L. Packer, the founder of Packer Institute, died suddenly from heart failure at her home in Garden Place, yesterday. She was seventy-one years old. For several years Mrs. Packer had been in feeble health, but during the winter had been better, and on Monday was able to take her usual drive in the Park. Mrs. Packer was the daughter of the Rev. Benjamin Putnam, a well-known Boston clergymen of Massachusetts and was born in that state in 1820. In 1842 she married William S. Packard of Brooklyn, who was the founder and for many years the head of the well-known firm of Packer & Prentiss, of New York. Ever since her marriage Mrs. Packer had lived in Brooklyn and was one of its best-known and most public-spirited women. Her husband died in 1851, leaving her with two children, a son and a daughter, both of whom survive her.

William S. Packer was during his lifetime a trustee of the Brooklyn Female Academy, the only school for young women in the city at the time. When in 1853 the Academy was totally destroyed by fire, Mrs. Packer immediately gave the necessary funds to help the Packer Institute, which was at once erected on Jayne-st., opposite the old Academy, which had been purchased for the new institution. Packer Institute has been a great success from its foundation, and many of the most prominent women in Brooklyn hold its diplomas. Its roll of 900 students and its reputation abroad as one of the best schools of secondary instruction in the country is a monument to Mrs. Packer. Dr. Alonso Crittenden was the first president of the Institute, and held the place for over thirty years, until his death. He was succeeded by Dr. Truman J. Buskus, the present head of the institution. Mrs. Packer was prominent in many charitable works in Brooklyn, and closely identified with its best social interests. For many years she had been a member of the Church of the Pilgrims.

THE SCHOOLMASTER ACQUITTED.

In the case of Ludwig Thomé, the schoolmaster of the parochial school of St. Matthias's Lutheran Church, in North Sixth-st., who was arrested three weeks ago on complaint of Samuel Wandell, president of the board of trustees, who charged him with threatening to shoot him, was tried before Justice Goeting yesterday. The court was filled with members of the congregation. President Wandell told how he called on Mr. Thomé, at the request of the board of trustees, and asked him to vacate his office and in reply Mr. Thomé had threatened to shoot him. The defendant denied that he had made threats of any kind, but simply stated that he would not vacate the school building with his contract with the church society expired. Justice Goeting dismissed the complaint. Today Mr. Thomé will appear in Justice Engle's civil court in a suit brought by him against the Rev. Mr. Sonnai, pastor of St. Matthew's Church, to recover \$30 for six sermons delivered during the pastor's illness last summer. It is expected that some interesting testimony will be given.

TO HAVE ONLY SEVEN BRIDGE TRUSTEES.

Corporation Counsel James has drawn a bill providing for the reduction of the number of Bridge trustees from twenty to seven, so that within thirty days after it becomes law the Mayor of New York shall appoint one contractor, and the Mayor of Brooklyn two trustees, who, with the Managers and Controllers of the two cities, exclusive, shall constitute the Board of Trustees. The appointments shall be for the period of three years, from June 1, 1892. The salary of the trustees is fixed at \$5,000 a year, and no person holding public office in either city shall be eligible for the presidency of the trustees while holding his office. The new Board shall have the same powers as the present one.

HAWLEY CHAPMAN ARRAIGNED.

Hawley Chapman was arraigned before Police Justice Walsh yesterday, upon the charge of threatening the life of his wife, but the case was adjourned at the request of the counsel for the prisoner, ex-Judge Coog. Chapman was remanded to jail without bail, to appear on Friday. He acted rationally, but appeared somewhat nervous. His wife declined to see him, saying that if she did she would break down and forgive him.

GATHERED ABOUT THE TOWN.

Dr. William C. Brailly will lecture before the Waverly Young Men's Club to-night on "How Not to Take Cold."

Professor Hjalmar H. Boysen delivered an entertaining lecture upon "Russia's Nihilists and Novelists," before members of the Brooklyn Institute in Association Hall yesterday afternoon. He treated at length of the teachings of Tolstoi and Turgeneff. "The Memoirs of a Sportman" of the latter was instrumental he said, in abolishing serfdom in Russia. He will speak next week upon "Bjornstjerne and Ibsen and the Norwegian School of Novelists."

Louis Gras, steward of the steamship Cashmere, which arrived at the Piermont Stores yesterday from Rio Janeiro, died from yellow fever on the voyage. No germs of the disease can remain in the frosty weather now prevailing.

The will of Dr. Daniel Ayres, who died last week, was offered for probate yesterday. It bequeaths to his widow all of his estate for the use of herself and children. He left an estate valued at \$500,000. His gifts for educational purposes in his lifetime amounted to about \$300,000. The widow and two sons are the executors.

Dr. John A. Arnold, who was recently removed from the post of Medical Superintendent of the county sick and insane paupers and placed in charge of the County Hospital, a place he formerly held, has resigned, and his place will be filled to-day. Dr. W. S. Fleming is now the medical superintendent of the institution.

Anton Weber, City Auditor, has had a bill drawn up for presentation to the Legislature increasing his salary from \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year.

The second concert under the auspices of the Department of Music of the Brooklyn Institute will be given this evening in Association Hall. Max Spicker will direct it and he will be assisted by Arthur Friedheim, piano; Richard Arnold, Rudolph Nagel, cello, and Miss Olive Fremstadt, alto.

The Nineteenth Ward Republican Association, through a committee composed of Charles Glass, Ernest Walters, F. W. Angel, G. W. B. Sisson, Edgar Miller and George Evans, has sent a formal vote of thanks to State Senator Aspinwall for the position he took in the Senate on the outrageous contempt proceedings.

FOR THE BURNHAM INDUSTRIAL FARM.

There were musical and theatrical entertainments on last Saturday and Monday at the Berkeley Athletic Clubrooms for the benefit of the Burnham Industrial

Farm. Miss Jennie Held had worked faithfully to make the affair a success and was successful. More than \$3,000 was cleared, and the kind work carried on behalf of the little ones from the shuns has had a valuable help. The entertainment will be repeated in March.

HOME NEWS.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

FIFTH AVENUE—Ex-Governor William Clalin, of Massachusetts, and John P. Sanborn, of Michigan. GLENSEY—Secretary of State Frank Blane of Canada, N. Y. GRAND—General Thomas L. Casey, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army. HOFFMANN—State Controller of New York. MURRAY HILL—Insurance Superintendent James F. Price, of Albany. WINSDOR—Ex-Governor Alexander H. Rice, of Massachusetts.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Trial of C. W. Harris before Recorder Smith. Park and Aqueduct Commissioners' meetings. Helen Barry's suit against Rose Coghlan, Supreme Court.

Church Club supper, Clark's, evening.

Terry Botanical Club, Columbia College, S. p. m.

Society of Temperance, annual session, Everett Hall.

Funeral of ex-Congressman W. E. Robinson, Brooklyn, 2 p. m.

Prison Association conference, No. 133 East Fifteenth-st., 3 p. m.

Institution of the Rev. A. F. Newton, Rochester Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, evening.

Giltz Post, No. 264, G. A. E., tail, Lexington Avenue Open House.

Concert at Brooklyn Institute, S. p. m.

Students' Club dramatic entertainment, Berkeley Lyceum, 8 p. m.

Emerson ball, Academy of Music, Brooklyn.

Astronomical Society, Hamilton Hall, S. 30 p. m.

XIIIth District Republican Committee, No. 1,228 Third-ave., 8 p. m.

NEW YORK CITY.

The death of Patrick Murphy, a laborer, 101 years old, of No. 673 Eleventh-ave., was reported at the Bureau of Vital Statistics yesterday.

The Excise Board yesterday afternoon revoked the license held by John McIver for Frank Stevenson's "dove" known as "The Sibley" at No. 157 Bleeker-st., and Josephine P. Smith, at No. 167 Bowery. The Smith woman had another disorderly place in Bleeker-st. President Meakin, of the Board, gave testimony against her.

Congressman Amos J. Cummings will deliver the oration at the dedication of the Clift-Drexel Union Printers' Home, at Colorado Springs, Colo., on May 12.

The Committee on Teachers of the Board of Education held a meeting yesterday afternoon. The appointment of Miss Moran as principal of Grammer School No. 30 was considered. No definite action was taken, however, as the school may be consolidated with another in the neighborhood.

Among the passengers sailing on the North German Lloyd steamship Havel for Bremen and Southampton yesterday were D. A. Ansell, C. S. Brack, Madam Marie C. Gomez Parise, Charles L. Fair, E. C. Henley, J. W. Kilpatrick, Lionel Sutro and family, Dr. Eugene Stark and Martin Quistrop.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen yesterday Alderman Hall introduced a resolution that the name of Seventh-ave., above one hundred and tenth-st., and Jerome-ave., which is a continuation of Seventh-ave., be changed to Sherman-ave. It was lost over.

CONTINUING THE WAR ON GUTTENBURG

MORE BOOKMAKERS ARRESTED—BITS OF TURE GOSSELIN.

The fight with Guttenburg was continued yesterday, and another raid was made on bookmakers at that track. Captain Graham and the special constables engaged in former trials were subpoenaed to appear before the Grand Jury, but it made little difference, as the warrants were served by Capt. Constable Schultz, and the following day the men were arrested. Frederick Wallman, E. J. Corn (Brooklyn), Frederick Lowe, J. Lockman, Patrick Tracy, John Ryan and the men who made bets for the Westchester, Baltic and London Clubs. Justice McCandless was on hand to take bail, and held each of the offenders in the sum of \$250. Larry Fahey, Frederick Baker, Peter Williams and J. C. Gare were the bondsmen.

The meeting at Glenovar has brought the "big four" to their senses, as "Bilby" Thompson said that he did not want the earth and world much earlier race under a hot sun that would legalize racing as races are run at present. He is anxious to have a bill that gives Morris and the other track a chance, and will use his influence to get it.

The trainers of thoroughbreds went in force yesterday, and the great sale of the Palio Alto horses in the American Institute Building furnished them a chance to show their views. William Walden said that his horses were all doing nicely at present, although several of his two-year-olds had been under the weather. He is well pleased with his prospects for 1892, and says that there is a good chance for Ambulante and L'Intelligence to appear in the spring races. He has forty horses in training, so that the all-select colors of E. A. and A. H. Morris will be seen in many races, as with such a large stable the Morris could furnish a good programme for a day's racing with horses of their own.

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LONG ISLAND.

MAYOR GLEASON'S MAN WINS.

Judge Cullen, in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn, yesterday handed down a decision in the proceedings relative to the office of City Clerk of Long Island City, declaring Thomas P. Burke the lawful holder of the office, and setting forth that if he wants the books and papers of the office, now held by Thomas Curry, the former incumbent of the office, an order for their delivery must be sought, when the question of the prima facie title will be settled. The decision is a victory for Burke, who had been a member of the committee of one of the associations of which he was a member.

John Allen looked like a winner. He has a big stable with plenty of good horses and is well equipped for the campaign of 1892. All of them are doing well.

Billy Lalinden said that Victory looks well, but will have hard races, as he must always meet the best in his class in the stakes. Tea Tray bowed slightly last year, but is not sure of sending him to the post. "I have not done a great deal with my young things," he said. "I have plenty of time to see how good they are later on."

John Allen said that Victory's man wins, but that he would not give them over until after they had raced.

W. H. McCarthy has his hat at Morris Park. He says that he will not be confined to stake races this year, and may pick up a few purses.

All the trainers are in good humor just now, but after the weights appear for the handicap there will be a chance and each one will have a grievance against the handicapper, if their estimates of the weights which their horses should carry are correct.

THEY OPPOSE THE NEW EXCISE LEGISLATION.

The board of managers of the National Temperance Society held a well-attended meeting last night at No. 58 Readest-st., T. A. Brower was in the chair. A resolution was unanimously adopted against the proposed excise legislation at Albany, especially the Sunday opening of liquor stores. A committee was appointed to represent the society at Albany. A memorial to Congress was adopted, asking that any additional appropriation in aid of the World's Fair shall be accompanied by the proviso that the Expedition shall be closed on Sundays.

The society also recognized the signal services given to the temperance cause by Cardinal Manning and lauded his death.

HE DESERTED HIS SIX CHILD.

At the Tomba Police Court yesterday afternoon Lorenz Ostermeier, a carpenter, forty-two years old, was held in \$500 bonds for examination, charged with neglecting his young daughter. Early in the morning he had taken his child to the church of St. John the Baptist, on Franklin Street, where he was to attend a mass meeting at noon. He did not return home, and it was discovered that there was a case meeting at No. 120 Greenwich Street. A policeman and a special constable of the society came at the house and were told that a little eight-month-old girl, having been locked in the house, had been confined in an attic room without food, fire or attendance since Sunday night. The girl's father, it was said, was drunk when last seen.

When the door of the room was broken in, the room was found to be barely large enough to accommodate the small child which it contained. The floor was without carpet, and the temperature of the room was below freezing point.

A doctor was called in, and found that the child was suffering from pneumonia. He ordered her immediate removal to the New York Hospital.

About noon the father was found in a drunken stupor in a saloon in Albany-st., and arrested. His examination will take place to-day. The child's condition is considered serious.

WANDERED AWAY IN DELIRIUM.

The police have been directed to search for Lawrence Casey, a laborer, thirty-six years old, who disappeared on Saturday under peculiar circumstances. Casey was taken to St. Joseph's Home, of Brooklyn, and One-hundred-and-forty-third-st., on January 7, suffering from delirium resulting from drunkenness. His condition did not improve and on Saturday he was sent to the Harlem Hospital. The same day it was decided to transfer him to Bellevue Hospital, and he was placed on the steamboat of the Department of Charities and Correction which touched at the dock at One-hundred-and-twenty-third-st. and the East River to receive patients for Charity. Casey did not get to Bellevue. He was missed some time after he got off the steamboat and was found to be missing.

His mother, who asked the police to begin a search for him yesterday, and she lived with Mrs. Croker at No. 64 West Twenty-first-st.

NEWS FROM NEW-JERSEY.

NEWARK.

HE GOT A WIFE BY ADVERTISING.

The suit of Robert H. Maple against Florence Dodd Maple, his wife, in the Vice-Chancellor's court yesterday, brought out a queer story. Maple is sixty-eight years old, and lives in Neptune Township, Monmouth County. In 1888 he lost his wife, and later in the same year he inserted an advertisement in a New York paper for a new companion. He received a number of answers, among which was one from Florence Dodd, with whom he began a correspondence which resulted in a marriage. The woman said she was forty-five years old, and had been a widow five years. They were married on June 2, 1889, and the relationship appears to have been mutually pleasant until October of the same year, when Maple was induced to deed over to his wife his home and lot. Then, it is averred, the woman's manner changed, she sold the property, bought other real estate, and began what the husband regarded as a life of extravagance. He sued for divorce, and his complaint, it is said, was that his wife was originally Florence D. Foster; that in January, 1897, she married one John W. Woramer, in Brooklyn, and in 1897 married again, to Dodd, his second husband. He lived with his wife on the Hudson River, and his wife was to care for him.

Maple's suit for divorce was filed in the Superior Court, and the trial is set for June 10.

TO SOLVE A MYSTERY OF THE BLIZZARD.